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Title	Broadcast And Reception System, And Receiver/Decoder And Remote Controller Therefor
Express Mail Label No.	

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- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
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- Background of the Invention
- Brief Summary of the Invention
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
- Detailed Description
- Claim(s)
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- b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) (for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed)
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Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR §§ 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
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8. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
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Box Patent Application

Re: U.S. Continuation Patent Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)
Appl. No. (to be assigned); Filed: Herewith
(Continuation of International Appl. No. PCT/EP97/02117, filed April 25, 1997)
For: **Broadcast And Reception System, And Receiver/Decoder And Remote
Controller Therefor**
Inventors: BASTIEN *et al.*
Our Ref: 1581.0440001

Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S.
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1. PTO Utility Patent Application Transmittal Form (PTO/SB/05);
2. U.S. Utility Patent Application entitled:

**Broadcast And Reception System, And Receiver/Decoder And Remote
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the application consisting of:

- a. A specification containing:
 - (i) 34 pages of description prior to the claims;
 - (ii) 6 pages of claims (42 claims);
 - (iii) a one (1) page abstract;
- b. 13 sheets of drawings: (Figures 1-15);
3. A Preliminary Amendment; and
4. Two (2) return postcards.

It is respectfully requested that, of the two attached postcards, one be stamped with the filing date of these documents and returned to our courier, and the other, prepaid postcard, be stamped with the filing date and unofficial application number and returned as soon as possible.

This patent application is being submitted under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) without Declaration and without filing fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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